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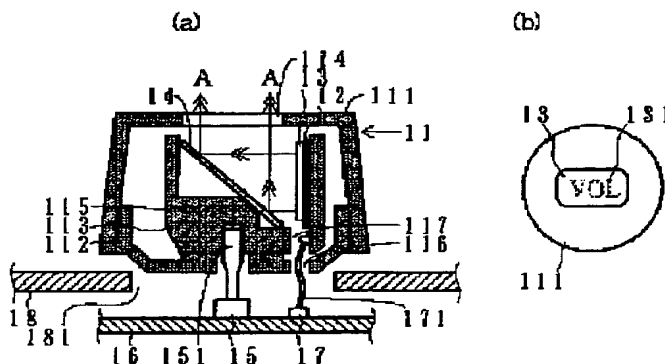
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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To indicate the meaning, etc., of a knob indication by means of letters or pattern configurations by composing a variable indicator whose indication content can be varied and a reflection board projected on the front surface of a knob by means of a cable for connecting an indication control part to the indicator.

SOLUTION: An indication control part provided on a main body side outputs an indication control signal through a cable 171, to an indicator drive circuit of the printed substrate 12 so as to drive LCD 13. Therefore, on the LCD 13, indication letters 131 corresponding to the indication control signal of the indication control part are ignited. Letters 131 indicated sideways (reflection plate 14 direction) are reflected on the reflection plate 14 so as to be projected on the front surface of a knob 11. And, by any change in the control signal, letters 131 change. In addition, the sizes of letters 131 can be changed by the attaching angle of the reflection plate 14 (large size by laying the reflection plate, small size by erecting the plate). By forming the reflection plate 14 in a curved surface, the size can be expanded or contracted.

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